GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3212
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COCO PUMPS
TARACHAND BHAGORA

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Company-Owned Company Operate (COCO) petrol pumps running in the country, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government have received any complaints from any of the State where COCO petrol pumps have been captured by mafia`s in connivance with the officials; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and action proposes to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN)

(a): As on 31.7.2003, there were 1,076 company-owned, company-operated (COCO) retail outlets (petrol pumps), run by the public sector oil companies, in operation in the country.

(b)&(c): No, Sir. No specific complaint has been received regarding capture of COCO retail outlets by any mafia in connivance with the officials of the oil companies.